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In re Patent Application of:  
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Art Unit: 1795

For: NEGATIVE ELECTRODE HAVING  
INTERMETALLIC COMPOUND THAT  
OCCLUDES/DESORBS LITHIUM AS AN  
ACTIVE MATERIAL LAYER ON  
COLLECTOR FOR NON-AQUEOUS  
SECONDARY BATTERY AND NON-  
AQUEOUS SECONDARY BATTERY USING  
THE SAME (as amended)

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Examiner: R. Alejandro

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated August 29, 2007, finally rejecting claims 20-33, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.